

STATE ✓ CALIFORNIA	COUNTY San Francisco	TOWN OR VICINITY San Francisco (Fort Point)
INDEX NUMBER CAL 38-SANFRA 4	MONUMENT (Fort Winfield Scott) (Old) Fort Point	
REPRESENTED IN NEGATIVE FILE	H.A.B.S. SURVEY NO. CAL-1239	History - Built originally by the Spanish (Mexican) forces as
PUBLISHED PHOTOGRAPHS	Castillo de San Joaquin (ded. 1794), at cost of \$6,500. Abandoned 1835. Occupied by	
PUBLISHED DRAWINGS	Fremont in 1846. Work on a new American fort begun 1853, with \$500,000 appropriation; total cost was \$2,500,000. Related to Ft. Sumter in	
Form 10-444 (2/59)		plan (150' wide, 250' long, 45' high; walls, 7' thick increasing to 36' in places). Name P193. (over) ✓ HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY 50739

officially made Ft. Winfield Scott in 1852 (called Fort Point since 1861). Guns obsolete by 1893. Fort gradually abandoned for military use. Now under S. end of Golden Gate Bridge (after 1937). Army owned.

Description - Extraordinary brick and granite structure with 3 main stories. Parabolic vaults over some gun emplacements; cast iron balconies and stairs opposite. Spiral stairways of granite in 3 towers. Trapezoidal courtyard, scene of shot towers to 1892. 149 guns originally.

References - Calif. Hist. Soc., Mimeo for Fort Tour.

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